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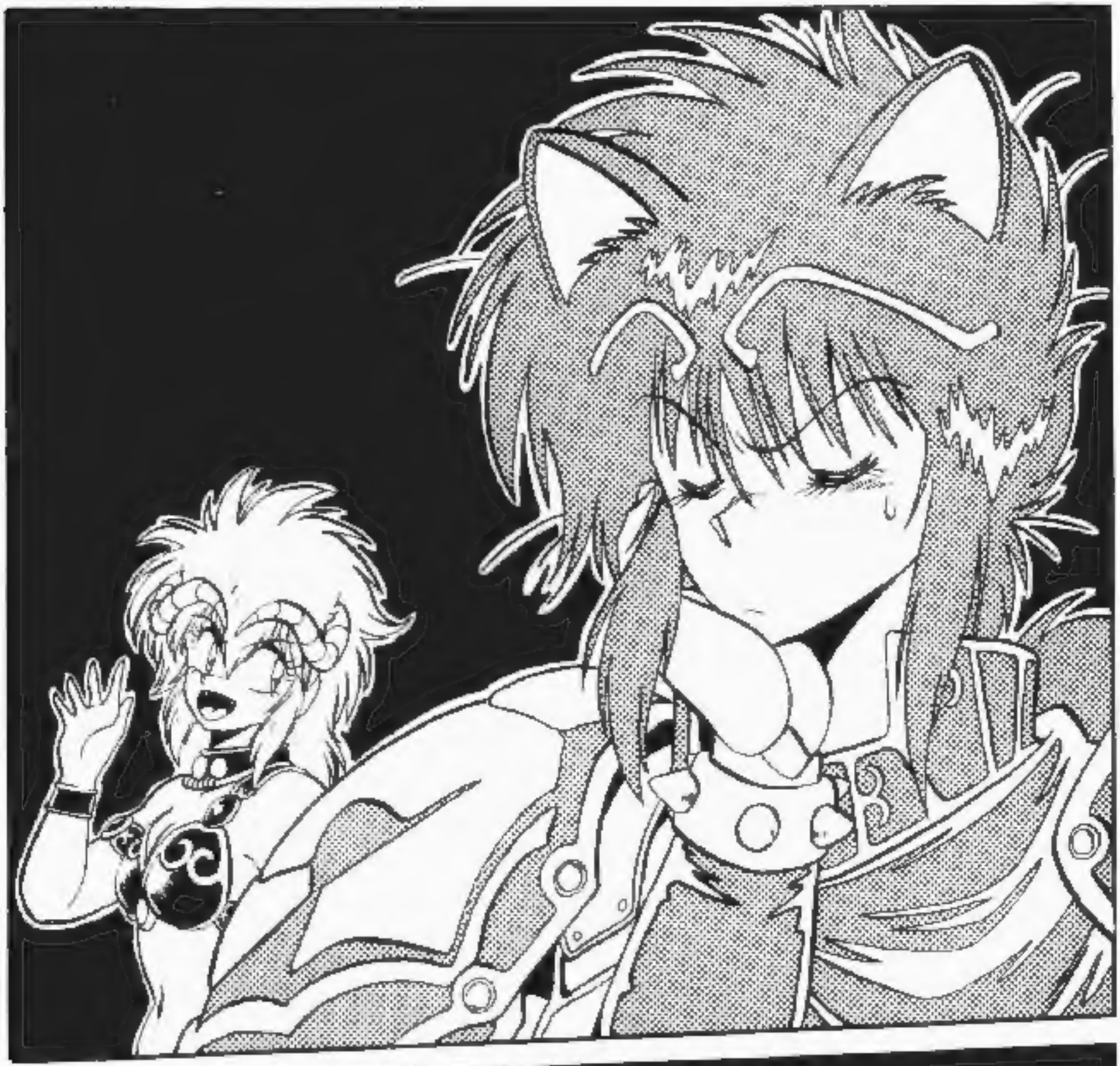
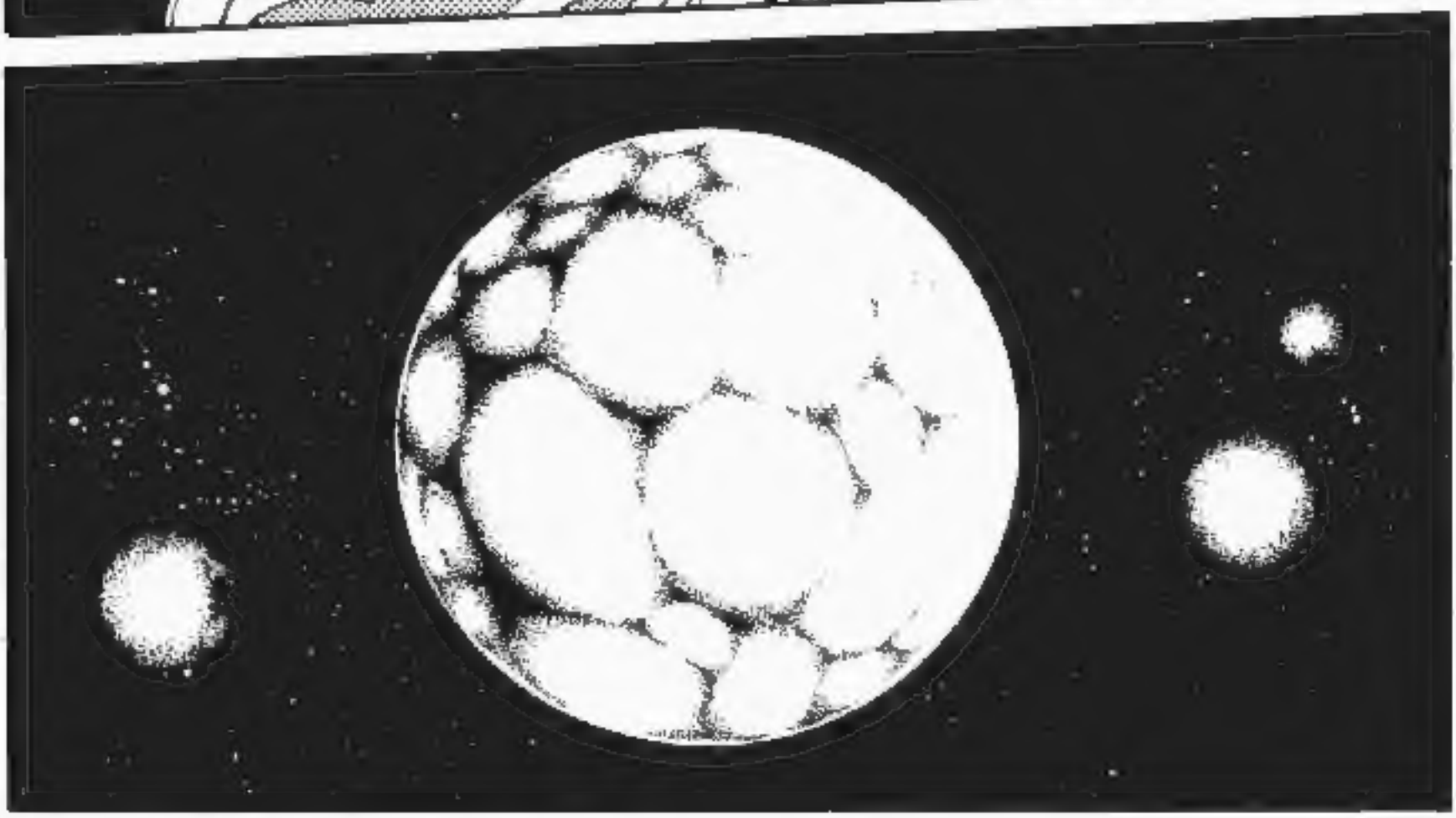




YOU DO ME GREAT HONOR, MY LORD IT IS MY PROUD DUTY TO SERVE...
YET, WHAT IS THIS TASK THAT CAN BE ENTRUSTED TO SO HUMBLE A SERVANT OF THE EMPIRE AS MYSELF ?
YES, THE TASK. ACTUALLY... HRMM.
MY LORD ?
WELL...KAHM'S RUN AWAY AGAIN.
WHUD

N-NOT AGAIN, YOUR HIGHNESS ?
AYE, THERE IS NO CONTROLLING THE CHILD...

SHE IS IN HIDING ON PLANET GOMOREI, THIS MUCH WE HAVE ASCERTAINED.
I'LL PROBABLY REGRET THIS, BUT...BRING HER BACK TO ME.

GOMOREI, IS IT? AN ILL-FAVORED PLANET...
MY LORD...MAY I ASK THE REASON FOR HER LATEST FLIGHT ?

LADY BATTIA, WE HAD CHOSEN A GROOM FOR THE PRINCESS KAHM. IT SEEMS HE DID NOT MEET HER FAVOR.
A HUSBAND ?
FOR KAHM ?!

HA HA
HMS
WHAT IS SO AMUSING ?!

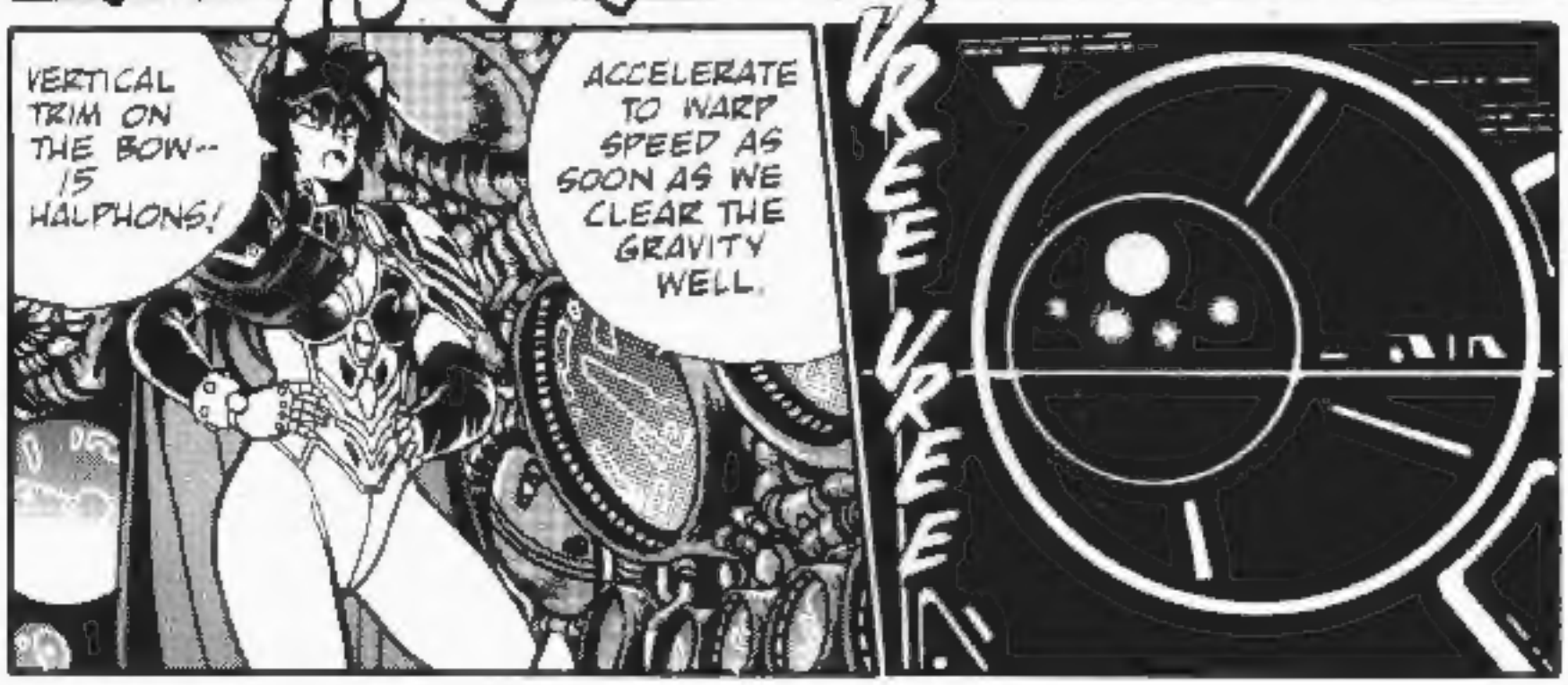
N-NOTHING, YOUR HOLINESS IT-IT'S JUST...
THE PRINCESS IS STILL ONLY SEVENTEEN. SHE'S JUST A CHILD. TO TRY AND MARRY HER OFF NOW...

I AM AWARE OF THIS !
BUT THERE IS NO OTHER WAY TO CONTROL HER WILD WAYS.

"NOR IS THAT YOUR CONCERN. YOUR DUTY IS TO BRING HER BACK TO ME. YOU MAY BE AS ROUGH ON HER AS NECESSARY.

"THERE IS NO ONE ELSE IN THE EMPIRE I CAN TURN TO ABOUT KAHM. I'M COUNTING ON YOU, LADY BATTIA..."

CONFOUND IT, KAHM... YOU DON'T BELIEVE IN MAKING LIFE EASY, DO YOU?



LADY BATTIA! THERE'S A SQUADRON INCOMING ON OUR TRAJECTORY!
WE HAVE RIGHT OF WAY! TELL THEM TO CLEAR OUT!

THEY SHOW NO SIGN OF GIVING WAY! MY LADY, THEY'RE ACCELERATING!
WHAT THE DEVIL?! WHOSE FLAG ARE THEY UNDER T!

VVVVVV

ATTENTION, INBOUND FLEET! I'LL GIVE YOU ONE WARNING!
GET OUT OF OUR WAY, OR BREATHE VACUUM!
LADY BATTIA! WE'RE ON A COLLISION COURSE! PLEASE GIVE THE ORDER FOR EVASIVE ACTION!
NO WAY!!
THE HELL I'M GOING TO EVADE!
WNNNNN
SKKKRRAAKKKK

THERE'S ONLY ONE DAMNED COMMANDER IN THE GALAXY WHO FLIES THAT WAY...

ALL RIGHT, GEOBALDI!

I KNOW IT'S YOU, DAMMIT! ANSWER ME!

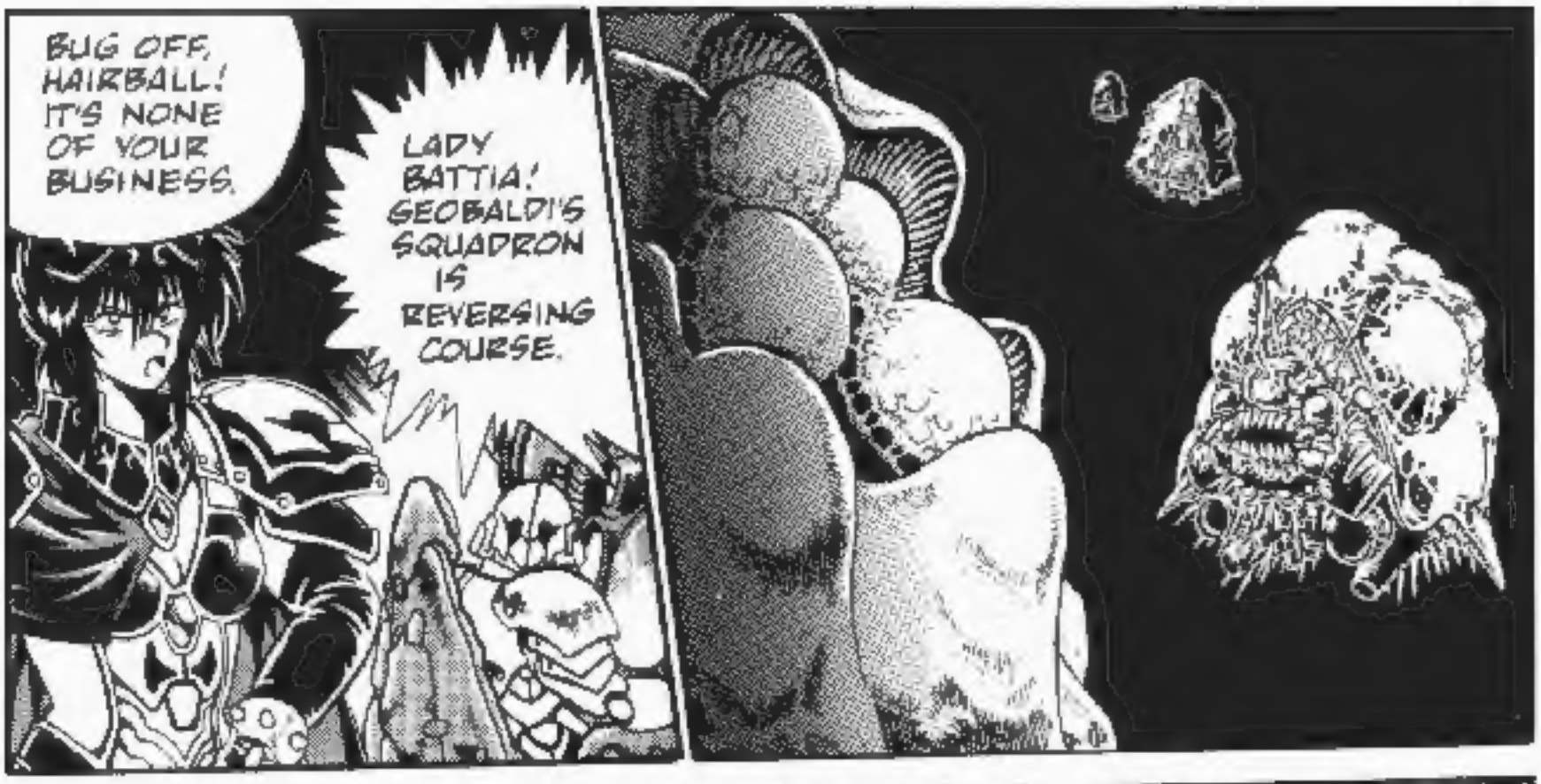
HEY, GIRL-- IT'S BEEN AWHILE.

SAME SEXY LITTLE FOX I KNOW AND LOVE. EH?

I KNEW IT HAD TO BE YOU.

WHERE'RE YOU OFF TO AT THIS HOUR WITH JUST ONE MEASLY SHIP, GIRL?

TELL ME, WHAT THE HELL'S GOING ON, EH? YOU WANT COMPANY, YOU GOT IT, SWEETIE.

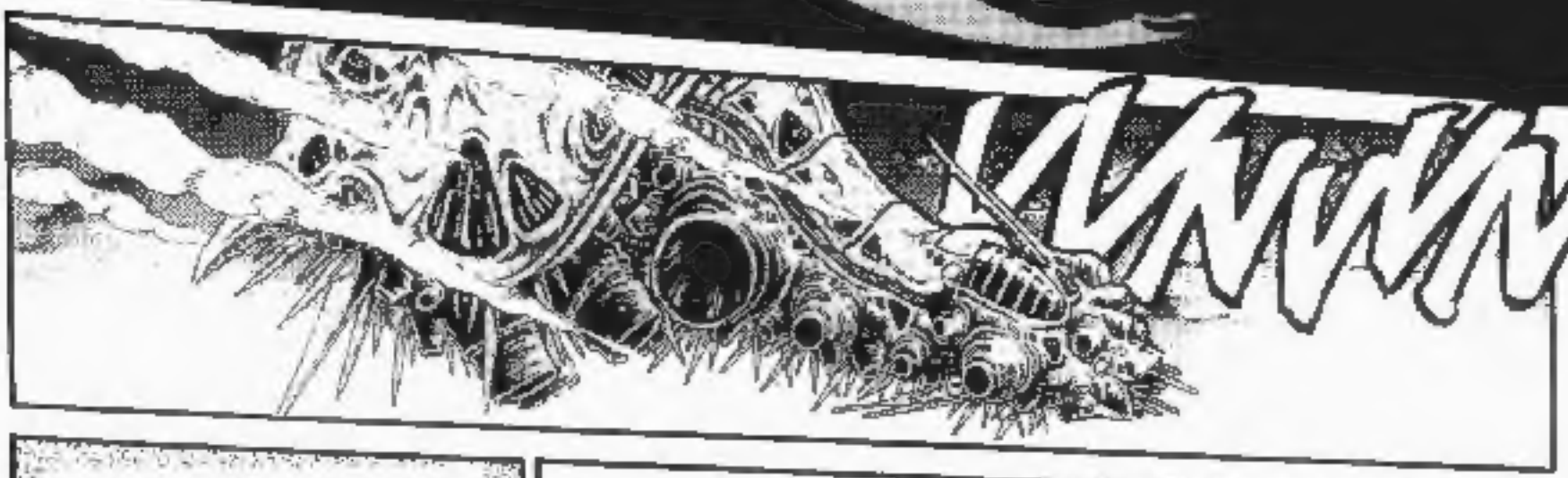

BUG OFF, HAIRBALL! IT'S NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS.
LADY BATTIA! GEOBALDI'S SQUADRON IS REVERSING COURSE.

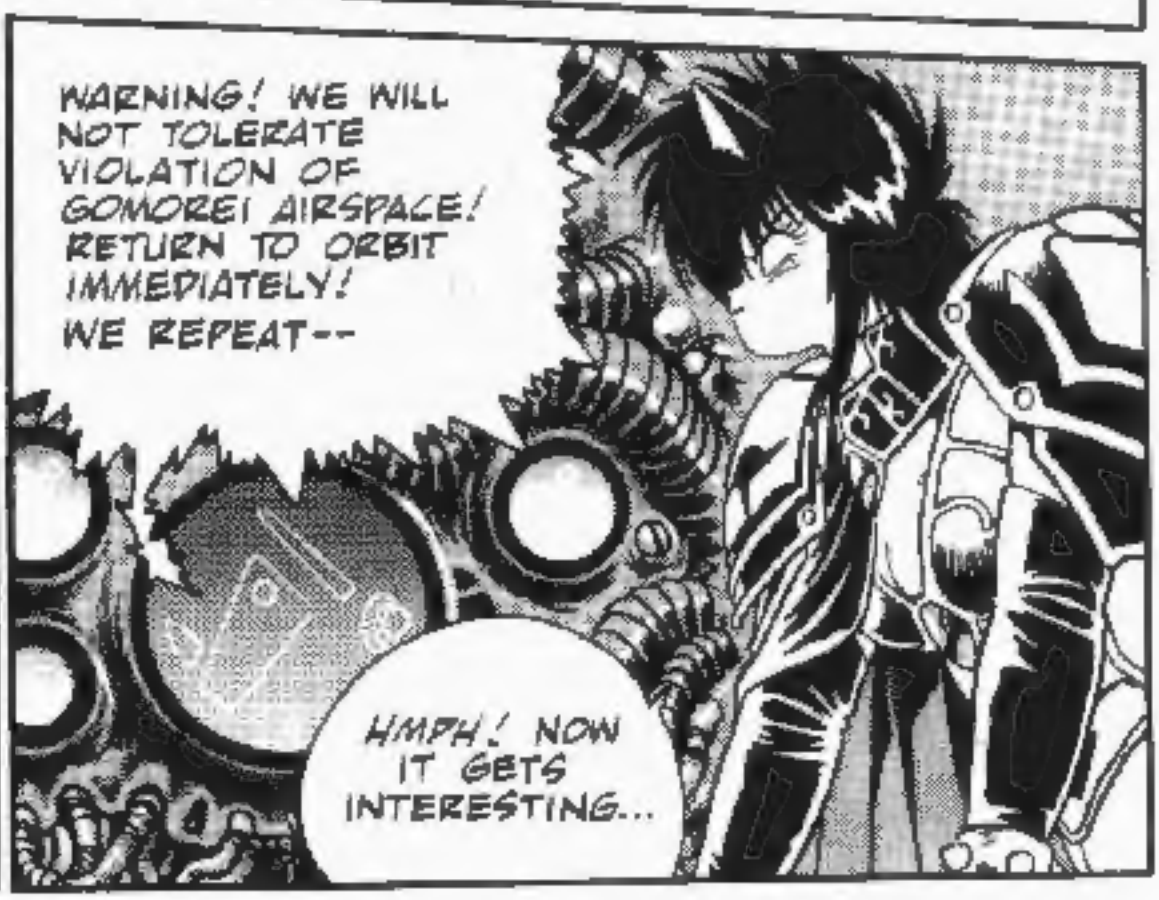
STOP THAT! I ORDER YOU NOT TO FOLLOW ME!
HEY, DON'T BE SO COLD, BABE. C'MON— TELL ME WHAT'S UP.

DAMN! SHAKE HIM OFF! WARP US OUT OF HERE!

WHOA!

FRONTIER PLANET GOMOREI





MULTIPLE SMALL TARGETS AT TWELVE O'CLOCK
POSITIVE I.D. ON LIGHT WARSHIPS HEAVY CERAMIC ARMOR
VNNNNNN
SPZZK
BKOOM
BLAM
BLAM
MOSQUITO BITES NOTHING MORE
STILL YOU GOT GUTS TO TAKE ON THE EMPIRE!

KEK
KEK
KEK
WOOM

WAKROOM
MY LADY! WE'VE PINPOINTED THE SOURCE OF THAT TRANSMISSION!
IT'S ONE HUNDRED MERTZ AHEAD TO STARBOARD.
BEEP
IT CAME FROM THAT LARGE STRUCTURE, MY LADY!
HMM THE BIG BOSS OF THESE SLUGS MIGHT KNOW SOMETHING ABOUT KAHM.
CLOSE ON THE TOWER!

LADY BATTIA! IT'S TOO DANGEROUS TO GO DOWN THERE ALONE! PLEASE ASSIGN AN ESCORT.

SILENCE!! WHO DO YOU THINK I AM?!

SINCE WHEN DOES BATTIA BUREITIN ROU, FIRST-CLASS OFFICER OF THE IMPERIAL ARMY, NEED AN *ESCORT!!*

DAMN WHAT A WORTHLESS BUNCH OF OVERSTUFFED SCARECROWS!
I HOPED THERE'D BE AT LEAST ONE GUY WITH BACKBONE IN THE BUNCH!
SKRASH!

SO-- YOU'RE THE BIG BOSS AROUND HERE!

OUR SQUALLING LITTLE BRAT OF A PRINCESS SHOULD BE AROUND HERE SOMEWHERE. BRING HER OUT.

HEH HEH HEH IMPERIAL RUNNING DOG!

SEND A MERE WOMAN AGAINST ME DO THEY? THEY UNDERESTIMATE MY POWER

HUH ?!

OH SHIT.

HEY! WHAT'S YOUR PROBLEM?

I'M ASKING YOU- WHERE'S THE PRINCESS ?!

I-I-I DUNNO !

THE HELL YOU DON'T! SHOW ME YOUR FACE!

NO! NOT THAT! I--

OH RATS!

GUARDS! SEIZE THIS WOMAN !!!

YOU GUYS?!!
WHAT THE HELL IS GOING ON HERE?!!
EEEEK!
GGG!
URK!

WHO
WHO
WHO
!!
!!
...
WHAK
EEEK!
KANGG
EH HEH HEH...

OUCH!
I SAID OUCH !!!
STOP IT !!!

YOU LITTLE BRAT. WHEN IN HELL ARE YOU GOING TO GROW UP?!!
SMAK
SMAK
SMAK
OUCH! OWWIE! I M SORRY !!

THE LITTLE LADY SEE, SHE SHOWS UP HERE, STARTS ACTIN' CRAZY, Y'KNOW?
SAYS SHE WANTS TO BE TH' BIG BOSS, MAKES US DO WHAT SHE SAYS..
IDIOT !
OW !

BUT BAAAATIA!! DADDY WAS TRYING TO MARRY ME OFF TO ONE OF THOSE AWFUL WIMPY GUYS!! I COULDNT STAND IT!
OH. YOU DON'T HAVE ANYTHING TO WORRY ABOUT

WHO IN THE GALAXY WOULD WANT TO MARRY A CRAZY LITTLE BITCH LIKE YOU ANYWAY!
GEE THAT'S RIGHT.

BKOOM
WHROOOMM

VVNVVNVVN
WAHAHAHA!
HEY, BATTIA, HERE COMES THE CAVALRY!
YOU BLASTED IDIOTS!! ALL OF YOU!!
BKROOM

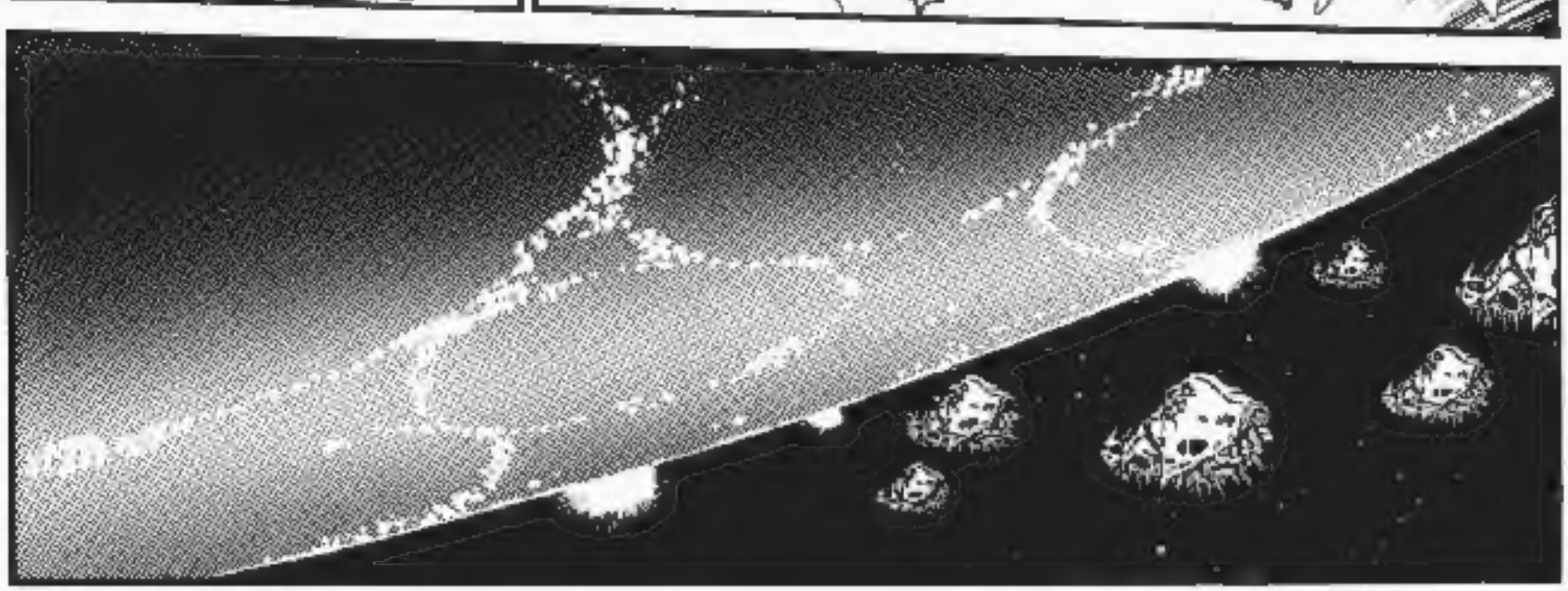
YEEOW OW OW OW!!

HEY. I SAID I WAS SORRY, DIDN'T I?
CONFOUND YOU, GEOBALDI! YOU JUST DON'T KNOW WHEN TO LAY OFF, DO YOU? DID YOU WANT TO FRY US, TOO?!
KYAHAHAHA!

JUST WHAT ARE YOU LAUGHING ABOUT?!! YOU'RE THE WORST OF ALL! SHOW A LITTLE REPENTANCE FOR A CHANGE!
HUMPH!

NGGRRR!
THERE, THERE, GIRL. GET TOO ANGRY AND YOUR FACE WILL STICK THAT WAY.

HOW DARE YOU!!
OUCH! YEOWCH! DON'T TAKE IT OUT ON ME!!



HEY, BATTIA? WHOSE FLEET IS THAT GETTING READY TO PULL OUT?
THEM? OH, THEY'RE UNDER THAT OLD CREEP PROGRESSO.
THEY SAY HE'S GOING TO THE SACRED PLANET, IF YOU CAN BELIEVE THAT.
THE SACRED PLANET?
OH, COME ON, YOU KNOW. THE PLANET WHERE OUR ANCESTORS WERE BORN. REMEMBER?
BUT... BUT I THOUGHT NO ONE WAS SUPPOSED TO DISTURB IT. NOT EVER!!
YEAH, THAT'S WHAT THEY SAY. BUT SOMETHING'S... COME UP.

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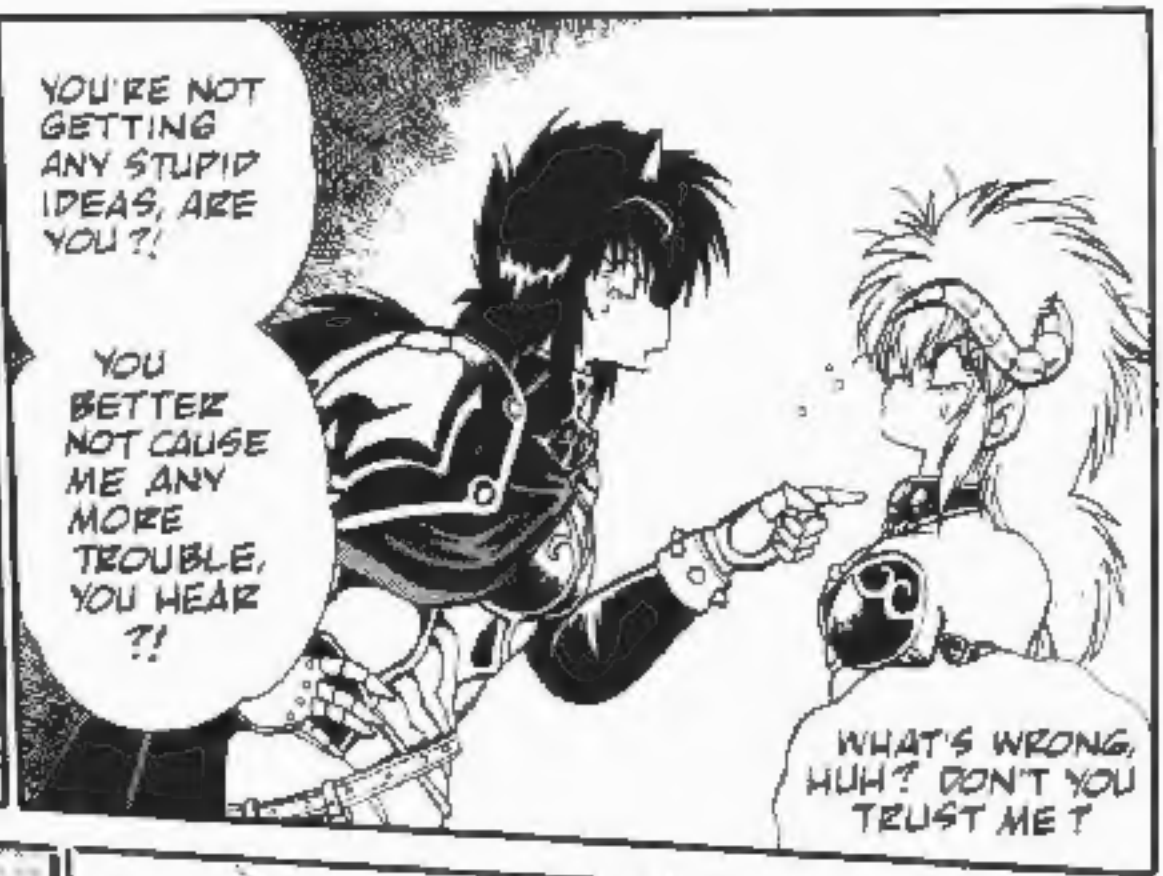
YOU'RE NOT GETTING ANY STUPID IDEAS, ARE YOU?!
YOU BETTER NOT CAUSE ME ANY MORE TROUBLE, YOU HEAR ?!
WHAT'S WRONG, HUH? DON'T YOU TRUST ME?

ENOUGH OF THIS--LET'S GO! I HOPE THE EMPEROR REALLY CHEWS YOU OUT THIS TIME.
HEY! OW! BATTIA!

THE SACRED PLANET, HM?
SOUNDS INTERESTING...

DO YOU REALLY THINK MY FACE MIGHT STICK THAT WAY...?

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